

spread Your Ignorance Around



You just don't get it. It's puzzling. You think you might know, but you're not quite sure. You pride yourself on being able to reason things out, but the answer here escapes reason.

Of course, it's not covered in the TM. And nobody has ever shown you how. You could ask somebody, but you'd look stupid.

What would the other mechanics say? Would they think you were a rookie with a wrench? What if everybody knows the answer but you! Then you would really look dumb.

No way you're going to ask a question.

So you guess. And you guess wrong. The first few z-z-z-z's of a maintenance nightmare begin.

Ignorance is **not** bliss. It's **not** stupidity, either. It's just a lack of knowledge. If you're not sure, for Pete's sake, ask! There's no room in the Army for fly-by-the-seat-of-your-pants maintenance. Shade tree mechanics who guess, almost always guess wrong.

Don't worry about looking dumb. You might get a good-natured elbow to the ribs now, but it's better than hearing about a huge mistake later.

And once you start asking, others will ask too. It's contagious. So spread your ignorance around.